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REMARKS

Applicants submit that the remarks and amendments made herein add no new matter to the specification.

Restriction Requirement

Applicants elect to prosecute, with traverse, Group 1, or Claims 1-32 and Species 1, Claims 1-12 and Claims 17-32 of the pending patent application. Claims 13-16 and Claims 33-38 have been withdrawn as being drawn to a non-elected group or species.

The invention is a cosmetic composition containing a nacreous pigment of a coated synthetic mica. Various properties of the composition are discussed in the specification and claimed in the dependent claims, including gloss, transparency, whiteness, brightness, compressibility ratio and bulk density. All of these properties are for the cosmetic composition containing the nacreous pigment and the examples contain measurements and visual observations of the properties of the same cosmetic samples. For instance, Example 2 has property measurements for the inventive composition of bulk density, gloss, brightness, glint and transparency of the same samples. Further, Example 16 has property measurements for the inventive composition of gloss, brightness, glint, whiteness and compressibility ratio of the same samples.

Thus, Applicants traverse the required restriction of species as the claims are all directed to the cosmetic composition containing a nacreous pigment of a coated synthetic mica.

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Response to Restriction Requirement

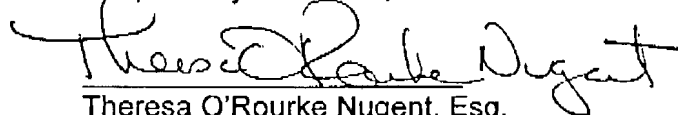
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CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that the foregoing constitutes a bona fide response to the Examiner's telephonic restriction requirement. Based on the foregoing remarks it is believed that the claims are in condition for allowance. However, should any issue(s) of a minor nature remain, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at telephone number (973) 404-6146 so that the issue(s) might be promptly resolved.

Respectfully submitted,



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